

Elwood Park & Recreation Committee Meeting
Elwood Village Hall Community Room
March 4th, 2009

Call to order by Mike Walsh at 6:30pm

Roll Call: Committee members: Mike Walsh, Terri Cooke, Greg Hickey, Lori Jenco, Brian Keith, and Don LaPaglia. Also in attendance were Elwood Administrator Aimee Ingalls, Ruettiger, Tonelli & Associates Engineer Rod Tonelli, Elwood Twilighters Representatives Barb Williams and Joan Carroll, and Kim from the Children's Garden.

A motion was made to approve the February 2009 minutes. The motion was made by Lori Jenco, seconded by Greg Hickey, and approved by the committee.

Children's Garden: Kim provided the committee with a tentative schedule of the Garden's summer plans. There was a discussion regarding registration, policy, duplicity of programs, financing, sponsorship and more. The committee recommended that as long as the village lawyer reviewed & approved the Garden's contract for weddings then we didn't need to review it.

Centerpoint Park: A motion was made by Greg Hickey, seconded Lori Jenco and carried to approve "Concept Plan Alternate A" as the basis for work on the OSLAD Grant and also to be sent to the Village Board for consideration. A discussion was held regarding the softball fields reconstruction bids. The committee stressed to Aimee that the fields are not "game ready" as they are and the committee felt the need for major re-grading of the outfield and drainage put into the infield. After more discussion and assurances that the village engineer understood the problems that exist in the outfield regarding the grading, the committee reached a consensus. Brian Keith made a motion, Terri Cooke seconded it and it carried to accept option "B" in the bids for regarding & reseeding the softball fields.

Exercise Equipment: The equipment is now in the Village Hall's basement. The staff has been busy painting the walls and mirrors will be installed. Liability issues & health codes are still being looked into before the exercise room will be open

Program Guidelines: Nothing to report.

OSLAD Grant: (Open Space Land Acquisition Development) Aimee reported that everything is on track regarding this process.

Recreation: We need to have a list of summer programs available for the April meeting. Please be ready to share some programming ideas at that time.

Other Business:

- The Elwood Twilighters thanked the committee for starting programs such as Tai-Chi & the weekly card "party".
- The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 1st, 2009 at 6:30pm.

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:08pm. The motion was made by Lori Jenco, seconded by Terri Cooke, and approved by the committee.

Respectfully submitted by,
Terri Cooke, Secretary